

# Reading 2007, Grade 8

Reading Composite

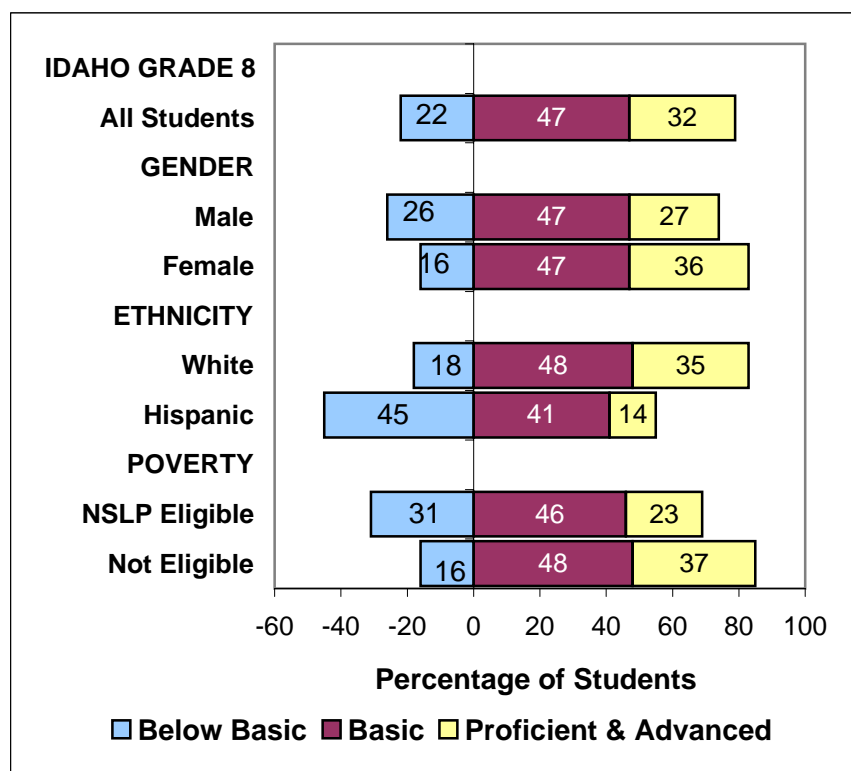


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The Reading assessment of the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) used multiple-choice and constructed-response questions to examine comprehension in three contexts: Reading for Literary Experience, Reading to Be Informed, and Reading to Perform a Task. The reading scale scores ranged from 0 to 500, where 243 is *Basic* (meets grade 8 expectations), 281 is *Proficient*, and 323 is *Advanced*.

## Reading Performance Levels by Demographic Group in Idaho



- ◆ On the NAEP 2007 reading assessment, the percentage of eighth grade female students in Idaho who scored at or above *Basic* (84 percent) was not significantly from their male peers (74 percent).
- ◆ On the NAEP 2007 reading assessment, the percentage of eighth grade White students in Idaho who scored at or above *Basic* (82 percent) was higher than their Hispanic peers (55 percent). Sample size was not sufficient to permit a reliable estimate of reading performance for Black, Asian, and American Indian students.
- ◆ On the NAEP 2007 reading assessment, the percentage of Idaho eighth graders who qualified for free or reduced price meals in the National School Lunch Program scoring at or above *Basic* (69 percent) was lower than their peers who were not eligible for the program (84 percent).

Comparisons are based on statistical tests (.05 level) that consider magnitude of difference and standard errors.

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